

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 06

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY, CALIFORNIA, RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR

WHEREAS, Section 2.48.060 of the National City Municipal Code empowers the City Manager, as Emergency Services Director, to proclaim the existence, or threatened existence of a Local Emergency when said City is affected, or likely to be affected, by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session subject to ratification by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, such Proclamation entitles the Emergency Services Director, and the emergency organization of National City, to all the powers, functions, and duties prescribed by state law, charter, ordinances, and resolutions of the City of National City; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property did arise within National City caused by severe rainstorm and subsequent damage caused by flood commencing on the 22nd day of January, 2024, at which time the City Council was not in session and could not be called into session; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Services Director of the City of National City issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency within National City on the 25th day of January, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby find that the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril did warrant and necessitate the Proclamation of Local Emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the City Council hereby ratifies and confirms the Proclamation of Local Emergency for the City of National City issued by the Emergency Services Director on the 25th day of January, 2024.

Section 2: That the City of National hereby requests the City be granted financial assistance pursuant to the California Disaster Assistance Act to recover the expenses incurred by the City in responding to the conditions of local emergency, and that a copy of this Resolution Ratifying the Proclamation of a Local Emergency be forwarded to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

Section 3: That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 29th day of January, 2024.


Ron Morrison, Mayor

ATTEST:



for Shelley Chapel, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Barry J. Schultz, City Attorney

Passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of National City, California, on January 29, 2024 by the following vote, to-wit:

Ayes: Bush, Molina, Rodriguez, Yamane, Morrison
Nays: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

AUTHENTICATED BY: RON MORRISON
Mayor of the City of National City, California



Shelley Chapel
City Clerk of the City of National City, California

BY 

for Shelley Chapel, MMC, City Clerk

CITY OF NATIONAL CITY

Proclamation of Local Emergency (by Emergency Services Director)

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1335 of the City of National City empowers the Emergency Services Director to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a Local Emergency when said City is affected, or likely to be affected, by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Services Director of the City of National City does hereby find that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within National City, caused by severe rainstorm and subsequent damage caused by flood commencing on or about 7:00 a.m. on the 22nd day of January, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the rainstorm was of extreme, unusual and unpredicted severity, dropping over 3 inches of rain in a single 24-hour period, a total that exceeds that of an average wet month and rivals the rainfall needed to spur a 100-year flood event; and

WHEREAS, also on the morning of January 22, 2024, and coinciding with the acute rain event, a high tide crested at 6.56 feet, with this high-water level curtailing the ability for natural drainage into the San Diego Bay and compounding the rain's negative effects, causing widespread flooding, pooling, ponding and rain blown water that encroached into facilities, residences, and businesses and made roads unpassable and dangerous; and

WHEREAS, the extreme volume of rain clogged the City's storm drain systems and inundated the City's streets, impairing the normal operation of essential City infrastructure and impacting residences, businesses and facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Services Director received input and determined that (1) conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property had arisen within National City caused by the severe storm conditions; and (2) these conditions required emergency response, with the potential need for resources beyond the capacity and control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City; and

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2024, the Governor of the State of California issued a proclamation of a state of emergency for San Diego and Ventura counties due to the historic rainfall experienced in these counties; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of National City is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

WHEREAS, this Proclamation of Local Emergency shall be submitted to the City Council for ratification pursuant to law.

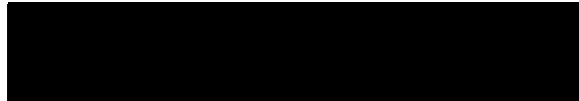
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED by the Emergency Services Director for the City of National City that a Local Emergency exists throughout National City and that said Local Emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said Local Emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Emergency Services Director and the emergency organization of National City shall be those prescribed by state law, charter, ordinances, and resolutions of this jurisdiction as approved by the City Council.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Emergency Services Director, Assistant Emergency Services Director, who shall be appointed by the director are hereby designated as the authorized representatives of the City of National City for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available state and federal assistance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Proclamation of Local Emergency be forwarded to the State Director of the Governor’s Office of Emergency Services with a request that the State Director find the Proclamation of Local Emergency acceptable in accordance with provisions of the Natural Disaster Assistance Act.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Emergency Services Director for the City of National City, State of California, this 25th day of January, 2024.



Benjamin A. Martinez
Emergency Services Director (City Manager)